

## CLAIMS

What is claimed is:

1. A method for parameter authentication, comprising:  
5 examining an authenticated parameter table to determine whether an unauthenticated user parameter is listed therein; and  
bypassing authentication of the unauthenticated user parameter if the unauthenticated user parameter is listed in the authenticated parameter table.

10 2. The method of claim 1, further comprising obtaining the unauthenticated user parameter from a user by way of a user interface.

15 3. The method of claim 1, further comprising erasing the authenticated parameter table upon a successful authentication of a predefined number of unauthenticated user parameters.

20 4. The method of claim 1, further comprising authenticating the unauthenticated user parameter if the unauthenticated user parameter is not listed in the authenticated parameter table.

25 5. The method of claim 2, wherein the step of obtaining the user parameter from a user by way of a user interface further comprises obtaining at least one user parameter from the group consisting of a biometric parameter, a password, a username, a code, a key, and a signature.

30 6. The method of claim 4, further comprising storing the authenticated user parameter in an authenticated parameter table upon a successful authentication thereof.

7. A system for parameter authentication, comprising:  
a processor circuit with a processor and a memory;  
an authenticated parameter table stored in the memory;  
5 authentication logic stored in the memory and executable by the  
processor, the authentication logic comprising:  
logic that examines the authenticated parameter table to  
determine whether an unauthenticated user parameter is listed therein; and  
logic that bypasses the authentication of the unauthenticated  
10 user parameter if the unauthenticated user parameter is listed in the  
authenticated parameter table.

8. The system of claim 7, wherein the authentication logic further  
15 comprises logic that obtains the unauthenticated user parameter from a user by  
way of a user interface.

9. The system of claim 7, wherein the authentication logic further  
20 comprises logic that erases the authenticated user parameters listed in the  
authenticated parameter table upon a successful authentication of a predefined  
number of unauthenticated user parameters.

10. The system of claim 7, wherein the authentication logic further  
25 comprises logic that authenticates the unauthenticated user parameter if the  
unauthenticated user parameter is not listed in the authenticated parameter table.

11. The system of claim 10, wherein the authentication logic further  
30 comprises logic that stores the authenticated user parameter in an authenticated  
parameter table upon a successful authentication thereof.

12. A program embodied in a computer readable medium for parameter authentication, comprising:

code that generates an authenticated parameter table;

code that examines the authenticated parameter table to determine

whether an unauthenticated user parameter is listed therein; and

code that bypasses the authentication of the unauthenticated user parameter if the unauthenticated user parameter is listed in the authenticated parameter table.

13. The program embodied in a computer readable medium of claim 12, further comprising code that obtains the unauthenticated user parameter from a user by way of a user interface.

14. The program embodied in a computer readable medium of claim 12, further comprises code that erases the authenticated user parameters listed in the authenticated parameter table upon a successful authentication of a predefined number of unauthenticated user parameters.

15. The program embodied in a computer readable medium of claim 12, further comprises code that authenticates the unauthenticated user parameter if the unauthenticated user parameter is not listed in the authenticated parameter table.

16. The program embodied in a computer readable medium of claim 15, further comprises code that stores the authenticated user parameter in an authenticated parameter table upon a successful authentication thereof.

17. A system for parameter authentication, comprising:  
 means for maintaining an authenticated parameter table;  
 means for examining the authenticated parameter table to determine  
 whether an unauthenticated user parameter is listed therein; and  
 means for bypassing the authentication of the unauthenticated user  
 parameter if the unauthenticated user parameter is listed in the authenticated  
 parameter table.

18. A method for parameter authentication, comprising:  
 obtaining the unauthenticated user parameter from a user by way of a  
 user interface;  
 examining an authenticated parameter table to determine whether the  
 unauthenticated user parameter is listed therein;  
 bypassing authentication of the unauthenticated user parameter if the  
 unauthenticated user parameter is listed in the authenticated parameter table;  
 authenticating the unauthenticated user parameter if the  
 unauthenticated user parameter is not listed in the authenticated parameter table;  
 and  
 storing the authenticated user parameter in the authenticated  
 parameter table upon a successful authentication thereof.

19. A program embodied in a computer readable medium for parameter authentication, comprising:

code that generates an authenticated parameter table;

code that obtains an unauthenticated user parameter from a user by way of a user interface

code that examines the authenticated parameter table to determine whether the unauthenticated user parameter is listed therein; and

code that bypasses the authentication of the unauthenticated user parameter if the unauthenticated user parameter is listed in the authenticated parameter table;

code that authenticates the unauthenticated user parameter if the unauthenticated user parameter is not listed in the authenticated parameter table; and

code that stores the authenticated user parameter in an authenticated parameter table upon a successful authentication thereof.